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(SBU) On August 12 we delivered reftel points (Ref A) to Acting MFA Director General for Security Policy, Arti Hilpus. In a follow up meeting on August 14, Hilpus reiterated (Ref B) that while the GOE supports international efforts in Lebanon, it is still unlikely that the GOE will contribute to the international peacekeeping force due its current commitments in Afghanistan and Iraq. However, Hilpus said that there are currently two Estonian soldiers serving in the UNCO as observers in Lebanon. Depending on what happens to UNIFIL and UNCO, Hilpus said it may be possible to incorporate these two soldiers into the international peace keeping force as staff officers (though this has yet to be discussed within the MOD).

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